

News Release

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Reed Elsevier announces joining date of Nick Luff as Chief Financial Officer

Further to the announcement made on 7 January 2014, Nick Luff will join Reed Elsevier as Chief Financial Officer on 1 September 2014.

Nick will be appointed to the Boards of Reed Elsevier NV, Reed Elsevier PLC and Reed Elsevier Group plc (the "Boards") with effect from 1 September 2014. Shareholder approval for Nick's appointment was obtained at the respective Annual General Meetings of Reed Elsevier NV and Reed Elsevier PLC on 23 and 24 April 2014.

Nick takes over from Duncan Palmer who announced his resignation in September 2013. Duncan will remain on the Boards as a Director until 24 September 2014 at which time he will leave Reed Elsevier.

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